

Table 3.  
**People and Families in Poverty by Selected Characteristics: 2002 and 2003**

(Numbers in thousands, confidence intervals (C.I.) in thousands or percentage points as appropriate. People as of March of the following year)

Characteristic	2002 below poverty				2003 below poverty				Change in poverty (2003 less 2002) <sup>2</sup>			
	Number	90-percent C.I. <sup>1</sup> (±)	Percentage	90-percent C.I. <sup>1</sup> (±)	Number	90-percent C.I. <sup>1</sup> (±)	Percentage	90-percent C.I. <sup>1</sup> (±)	Number	90-percent C.I. <sup>1</sup> (±)	Percentage	90-percent C.I. <sup>1</sup> (±)
<b>PEOPLE</b>												
Total.....	34,570	660	12.1	0.2	35,861	671	12.5	0.2	*1,291	698	*0.3	0.2
<b>Family Status</b>												
In families.....	24,534	567	10.4	0.2	25,684	579	10.8	0.2	*1,150	601	*0.4	0.3
Householder.....	7,229	178	9.6	0.2	7,607	184	10.0	0.2	*378	206	*0.4	0.3
Related children under 18.....	11,646	332	16.3	0.5	12,340	340	17.2	0.5	*694	353	*0.9	0.5
Related children under 6.....	4,296	210	18.5	1.0	4,654	218	19.8	1.0	*358	225	*1.4	1.0
In unrelated subfamilies.....	417	77	33.7	6.7	464	81	38.6	7.4	46	83	4.9	7.4
Reference person.....	167	49	31.7	10.0	191	52	37.6	11.2	25	53	5.8	11.2
Children under 18.....	241	51	35.4	8.4	271	55	41.7	9.5	31	56	6.3	9.4
Unrelated individual.....	9,618	213	20.4	0.5	9,713	214	20.4	0.5	95	244	-	0.5
Male.....	4,023	126	17.7	0.6	4,154	128	18.0	0.6	131	145	0.3	0.7
Female.....	5,595	152	22.9	0.7	5,559	152	22.6	0.7	-36	173	-0.2	0.8
<b>Race<sup>3</sup> and Hispanic Origin</b>												
White alone or in combination.....	24,074	562	10.3	0.2	24,950	571	10.6	0.2	*876	646	*0.3	0.3
White alone <sup>4</sup> .....	23,466	556	10.2	0.2	24,272	564	10.5	0.2	*806	638	*0.3	0.3
White alone, not Hispanic.....	15,567	459	8.0	0.2	15,902	464	8.2	0.2	335	526	0.2	0.3
Black alone or in combination.....	8,884	336	23.9	0.9	9,108	340	24.3	0.9	224	355	0.4	0.9
Black alone <sup>5</sup> .....	8,602	332	24.1	0.9	8,781	335	24.4	0.9	180	349	0.3	1.0
Asian alone or in combination.....	1,243	132	10.0	1.1	1,527	146	11.8	1.1	*284	146	*1.9	1.1
Asian alone <sup>6</sup> .....	1,161	128	10.1	1.1	1,401	140	11.8	1.2	*240	141	*1.8	1.2
Hispanic origin (of any race).....	8,555	310	21.8	0.8	9,051	317	22.5	0.8	*497	262	0.6	0.7
<b>Age</b>												
Under 18 years.....	12,133	338	16.7	0.5	12,866	346	17.6	0.5	*733	359	*0.9	0.5
18 to 64 years.....	18,861	499	10.6	0.3	19,443	506	10.8	0.3	*582	528	0.2	0.3
65 years and older.....	3,576	132	10.4	0.4	3,552	131	10.2	0.4	-24	138	-0.2	0.4
<b>Nativity</b>												
Native.....	29,012	611	11.5	0.2	29,965	620	11.8	0.2	*952	646	*0.3	0.3
Foreign born.....	5,558	318	16.6	1.0	5,897	328	17.2	1.0	*339	339	0.6	1.0
Naturalized citizen.....	1,285	154	10.0	1.2	1,309	156	10.0	1.2	24	163	-	1.3
Not a citizen.....	4,273	280	20.7	1.4	4,588	290	21.7	1.5	*315	299	1.0	1.5
<b>Region</b>												
Northeast.....	5,871	271	10.9	0.5	6,052	275	11.3	0.5	182	286	0.4	0.5
Midwest.....	6,616	290	10.3	0.5	6,932	297	10.7	0.5	*316	308	0.5	0.5
South.....	14,019	466	13.8	0.5	14,548	474	14.1	0.5	*529	493	0.3	0.5
West.....	8,064	371	12.4	0.6	8,329	377	12.6	0.6	265	393	0.2	0.6
<b>Residence</b>												
Inside metropolitan areas.....	27,096	593	11.6	0.3	28,367	605	12.1	0.3	*1,271	628	*0.4	0.3
Inside central cities.....	13,784	433	16.7	0.5	14,551	445	17.5	0.6	*767	461	*0.8	0.6
Outside central cities.....	13,311	426	8.9	0.3	13,816	434	9.1	0.3	*504	451	0.2	0.3
Outside metropolitan areas.....	7,474	395	14.2	0.8	7,495	396	14.2	0.8	20	415	-	0.8
<b>Work Experience</b>												
All workers (16 years and older).....	8,954	352	5.9	0.2	8,820	350	5.8	0.2	-134	368	-0.1	0.2
Worked full-time year-round.....	2,635	193	2.6	0.2	2,636	193	2.6	0.2	1	203	-	0.2
Not full-time year-round.....	6,318	297	12.4	0.6	6,183	294	12.2	0.6	-135	310	-0.3	0.6
Did not work at least one week.....	14,647	446	21.0	0.7	15,446	457	21.5	0.7	*799	474	0.4	0.7
<b>FAMILIES</b>												
Total.....	7,229	178	9.6	0.2	7,607	184	10.0	0.2	*378	206	*0.4	0.3
<b>Type of Family</b>												
Married-couple.....	3,052	108	5.3	0.2	3,115	109	5.4	0.2	63	123	0.1	0.2
Female householder, no husband present.....	3,613	118	26.5	0.9	3,856	123	28.0	1.0	*243	137	*1.4	1.1
Male householder, no wife present.....	564	44	12.1	1.0	636	47	13.5	1.0	*73	52	*1.4	1.2

-Represents zero or round to zero.

\*Statistically different from zero at the 90-percent confidence level.

<sup>1</sup>A 90-percent confidence interval is a measure of an estimate's variability. The larger the confidence interval in relation to the size of the estimate, the less reliable the estimate. For more information see "Standard errors and their use" at <www.census.gov/hhes/www/p60-226sa.pdf>.

<sup>2</sup>Details may not sum to total because of rounding.

<sup>3</sup>Data for American Indians and Alaska Natives, and Asian, Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islanders are not shown separately.

<sup>4</sup>The 2003 and 2004 CPS asked respondents to choose one or more races. White alone refers to people who reported White and did not report any other race category. The use of this single-race population does not imply that it is the preferred method of presenting or analyzing data. The Census Bureau uses a variety of approaches. Information on people who reported more than one race, such as White **and** American Indian and Alaska Native or Asian **and** Black or African American, is available from Census 2000 through American FactFinder. About 2.6 percent of people reported more than one race in Census 2000.

<sup>5</sup>Black alone refers to people who reported Black and did not report any other race category.

<sup>6</sup>Asian alone refers to people who reported Asian and did not report any other race category.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2003 and 2004 Annual Social and Economic Supplements.